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In re application of

Docket No: Q68137

Kenji TSUKADA, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/031,408

Group Art Unit: 2853

Confirmation No.: 2132

Examiner: Leonard S. Liang

Filed: January 18, 2002

For: INK CONSUMPTION DETECTING METHOD, AND INK JET RECORDING APPARATUS

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 21, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

The specification has been amended as follows:

Page 12, the second paragraph is amended as follows:

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Fig. 2 is a drawing showing an example of ink cartridges for storing a plurality of kinds of ink.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 51 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please enter the following amended claims:

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EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER

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Sir:

An Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 is attached hereto for concurrent filing in the above-identified application. The resulting excess claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

	After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For					
All Claims	62	-	54	=	8	X	\$18.00	= \$144.00
Independent	8	-	3	=	5	X	\$84.00	= \$420.00
TOTAL								= \$564.00

A check for the statutory fee of \$564.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

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